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Dear Sir:

Responsive to the Office action dated June 14, 2006 in the patent application identified above, please enter the following amendments and reconsider that application in view of the appended remarks.

Amendments to the Title begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 6 of this paper.